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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Alain D. Sismondi et al. Examiner: Bruce Hess  
Serial No.: 09/643,026 Group Art Unit: 1774  
Filed: August 21, 2000 Docket: 01006US01  
Title: **INK-JET PRINTING RECEIVING SHEET COMPRISING GELATIN  
AND A METAL SALT**

**SUPPLEMENTAL/REPLACEMENT AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

BOX AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed on January 29, 2002 and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed 1 August 2002. Please consider the following amendments and comments regarding the status of the claims:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

**A CLEAN COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS IS PROVIDED AT THE END OF THE  
AMENDMENT in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121**

1. An ink jet receiving sheet comprising a support and at least an ink receiving layer containing a binder selected from the group consisting of gelatin and gelatin derivatives, characterized in that said receiving layer comprises at least a salt of a metal selected from the IIA or IIB groups of the periodic table of elements or complexes which comprise said metal salts and in that said receiving sheet has a surface pH value lower than 5.0.

2. The ink jet receiving sheet according to claim 1, characterized in that said receiving layers totally comprise a gelatin amount ranging from 1 to 20 g/m<sup>2</sup>.

3. The ink jet receiving sheet according to claim 1, characterized in that said metal is selected from the group consisting of calcium, magnesium, zinc and barium.



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**BOX: AMENDMENT**

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**The following documents are hereby submitted:**

- ☒ Supplemental/Replacement Amendment and Response in response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (8 pages)
- ☒ Transmittal Sheet
- ☒ Return postcard

If an additional fee is required due to changes to the claims, the fee has been calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(1) Claims Remaining After Amendment		(1) Highest Number of Claims Previously Paid For	(3) Present Extra	Rate	Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS	19	-	20	0	x 18.00 =	\$00.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	-	3	0	X 84.00 =	\$00.00
[ ] MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED						\$00.00
TOTAL						\$00.00

Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for sufficient number of months to enter these papers if an additional extension of time is deemed necessary by the Office. Authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account Number 50-1391 if such additional extension is necessary.

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box Amendment, Washington, D.C. 20231 on September 3, 2002.

Mark A. Litman  
Name

Signature